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BACKGROUND AND MISSION

Established in 1951, the International Organization for Migration (IOM), the UN migration agency, is the leading intergovernmental organisation in the field of migration to ensure the orderly and humane management of migration and to promote international cooperation on migration issues, working closely with governmental, intergovernmental and non-governmental partners. IOM counts 173 member states- and 8 observer states, along with numerous international and non-governmental organizations holding observer status.

AREAS OF INTEREST

- Migration and development
- Facilitation of migration
- Regulation of migration
- Forced migration
- Migration health
- Gender and migration
- Humanitarian assistance of migrants in need
- Promotion of international migration law
- Policy development and guidance
- Protection of migrants' rights

HEALTH-RELATED ACTIVITIES

IOM's Migration Health division delivers and promotes comprehensive, preventive, and curative health programs that are beneficial, accessible, and equitable for migrants and mobile populations. It advocates for policy development towards migrant-inclusive health policies which increase health coverage, ensure equitable access to health care, promote financial risk protection, and deliver, facilitate and promote migrant sensitive health systems and build country level capacities to provide health services. Additionally, IOM seeks to create and maintain partnerships, networks and global frameworks to enhance cooperation between countries and stakeholders to ensure that the health of migrants will continue to be addressed in national and global development strategies. IOM also has dedicated projects on migration related to diseases such as malaria, tuberculosis and HIV/AIDS, where it provides support, treatment, and monitoring. IOM also provides mental health and psychosocial support and works with national and international partners to reduce the stigma attached to migrant health and emphasize the important contributions made by migrants towards development in origin, transit, and destination countries.

GOVERNANCE AND STAFF

The current Director General is António Manuel de Carvalho Ferreira Vitorino. IOM employs over 12 000 operational staff, almost entirely in the field. IOM has offices in over 100 countries, with over 393 field locations.

FUNDING SOURCES AND BUDGET

Contributions from the member states fund the administrative budget, while field projects are funded by voluntary contributions. The administrative budget for 2019 is CHF 52.2 million with an operational budget of USD 1.66 billion.

PUBLICATIONS

A list of publications is available at: http://publications.iom.int/

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